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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 6643

STUTTGART FOR ELG

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BEIRUT JULY 27 EVACUATION

1. SINGLE LCU ARRIVED APPROXIMATELY 0830, DISEMBARKED GEORGE LANE AND SIX POUCHES, NOW AT EMBASSY. LCU DEPARTED BAIN MILITAIRE AT 0920 LOCAL. PROBABLE TOTAL PASSENGERS 308 (SEE PARA 2 BELOW), INCLUDING 27 USG OFFICIALS (TO INCLUDE AMB. SEELYE AND TWO GUARDS), 52 PRIVATE AMCITS, 27 AMCIT DEPENDENTS AND 50 ALIEN DEPENDENTS. DETAILED LIST FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.

2. UP TO FIVE PALESTINIAN REGISTRANTS DETAINED AT VARIOUS TIMES BY PLO AND LEBANESE ARAB ARMY (LAA) PERSONNEL. WE ARE UNCERTAIN WHETHER BOARDED OR NOT. ANIMOSITY OBSERVED BETWEEN PLO AND LAA AT BAIN MILIOAIRE. PLO WAS GENERALLY COOPERATIVE. LAA WAS DISORGANIZED AND ATTEMPTED CREATE BUREAUCRATIC OBSTACLES AT VARIOUS TIMES, SUCH AS ATTEMPT TO STAMP PASSPORTS. LAA WERE EVENTUALLY DISSUADED FROM THIS BUT DECIDED THEN TO STAMP PASSPORTS OF CITIZENS OF ARAB COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY LEBANON.

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3. AT 1025 LOCAL WE ADVISED THAT LCU HAS REJOINED CORONADO AND

THAT CORONADO IS UNDERWAY.
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